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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

CATHY A. CATTERSON, CLERK U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

MARK TWAIN ST. JOSEPH'S HEALTHCARE CORPORATION,

Plaintiff - Appellant,

v.

MIKE LEAVITT,** Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services,

Defendant - Appellee.

No. 04-15092

D.C. No. CV-F-02-6481-AWI-LJO

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California Anthony W. Ishii, District Judge, Presiding

Argued and Submitted October 19, 2005 San Francisco, California

Before: D.W. NELSON, RAWLINSON, and BEA, Circuit Judges.

^{*} This disposition is not appropriate for publication and may not be cited to or by the courts of this circuit except as provided by 9th Cir. R. 36-3.

^{**} Mike Leavitt is substituted for his predecessor, Tommy G. Thompson, as Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to FED. R. APP. P. 43(c)(2).

- 1. The finding of the Provider Reimbursement Review Board (PRRB) that the overpayment of Medicare reimbursements to Mark Twain St. Joseph's was due to an administrative error, rather than a recalculation of the hospital specific rate (HSR), was supported by substantial evidence, and its decision was not arbitrary, capricious, or contrary to law. *See Community Hosp. of the Monterey Peninsula v. Thompson*, 323 F.3d 782, 789 (9th Cir. 2003).
- **2.** The Notice of Reopening issued by the Intermediary in October 1998, as to fiscal years 1994 and 1995, was a timely reopening to correct an administrative error under 42 C.F.R. § 405.1885. *See Foothill Presbyterian Hosp. v. Shalala*, 152 F.3d 1132, 1135 (9th Cir. 1998) (noting that reopening of a cost report is governed by 42 C.F.R. § 405.1885.).
- **3.** Because the Notice of Reopening did not modify the originally calculated HSR, the finality provisions of 42 C.F.R. §§ 412.71-72 were not implicated.

AFFIRMED.